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Re:

Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. to Deregulate Voice Mail

Docket No. 2005-315-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") respectfully requests that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") grant BellSouth's Motion for Expedited Ruling on Petition on the Basis of Verified Testimony ("Motion") and its Petition to Deregulate Voice Mail ("Petition") during its December 13, 2005 meeting.

As explained in its Motion, BellSouth has filed publisher affidavits in compliance with the Commission's directives, and no person or entity has intervened or otherwise attempted to participate in this docket. Moreover, the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS"), which is considered a party to this proceeding by virtue of S.C. Code Ann. §58-4-10(B), has no objections to BellSouth's Petition or its Motion for expedited review of this matter. *See* Letter of December 2, 2005 from James McDaniel (Attachment A to this Letter).

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BellSouth, therefore, respectfully request that the Commission grant BellSouth's Motion and its Petition during its December 13, 2005 meeting.

Sincerely,

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